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Further to your telephone conversation yesterday with Peter Thurlow, an attorney in our firm, we attach a Supplemental Amendment and Substitute Specification (including a clean and marked-up version).

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For: LIQUID DISCHARGE HEAD, LIQUID
DISCHARGE APPARATUS, VALVE
PROTECTION METHOD OF THE
SAME LIQUID DISCHARGE HEAD
MAINTENANCE SYSTEM

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Sir:

Supplemental to the Amendment dated September 25, 2003, please further amend the above-referenced application as follows. The changes to the specification begin at page 2, the changes to the claims are reflected in the listing that begins at page 3, and the Remarks begin at page 6.

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